

Docket No.: 050099-0253 **PATENT**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Customer Number: 20277

Shinroku MAEJIMA, et al.

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Application No.: 10/808,613

Group Art Unit: 2824

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Examiner: Dang T. Nguyen

For: MAGNETIC RECORDING ELEMENT AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING MAGNETIC

RECORDING ELEMENT

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment **Commissioner for Patents** P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Noting the Office Action of November 10, 2005 wherein restriction has been required, Applicant hereby elects Group I (claims 1 through 5) for prosecution in the above-identified application.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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